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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS

GOVERNING

Timber, Grazing, Hay, Domestic Coal and Irrigation

ON

DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-
WEST TERRITORIES, AND WITHIN THE
RAILWAY BELT IN THE PROVINCE
OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, ALSO IN
THE YUKON TERRITORY.

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TIMBER ON DOMINION LANDS

In Manitoba, the North-West Territories, and within the Railway Belt in the Province of British Columbia.

LICENSES

A license to cut timber can be acquired only at public competition. A rental of \$5.00 per square mile is charged for all timber berths excepting those situated west of Yale in the Province of British Columbia, for which the rental is at the rate of 5 cents per acre per annum.

In addition to the rental, dues at the following rates are charged :—

Sawn lumber, 50 cents per thousand feet B.M.

Railway ties, eight and nine feet long, $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $1\frac{3}{4}$ cents each.

Shingle bolts, 25 cents a cord.

All other products, 5 per cent on the sales.

A license is issued as soon as a berth is granted, but in unsurveyed territory no timber can be cut on the berth until the licensee has made a survey thereof.

PERMITS.

Permits to cut timber are also granted at public competition, except in the case of actual settlers, who require the timber for their own use.

Settlers and others may also obtain permits to cut up to 100 cords of wood for sale without competition.

The dues payable under a permit are \$1.50 per thousand feet B.M. for square timber and sawlogs of any wood except oak ; from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per lineal foot for building logs ; from $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 25 cents

cents per cord for wood ; 1 cent for fence posts ; 3 cents for railway ties, and 20 cents per thousand for shingles.

Homesteaders having no timber of their own are entitled to a permit free of dues to cut the following quantities :—

3,000 feet of building logs, not to exceed 12 inches at butt end. If the timber is cut from dry trees 3,000 lineal feet of any diameter may be taken.

400 roof poles.

500 fence posts.

2,000 fence rails.

Homesteaders and all *bona fide* settlers whose farms may not have thereon a supply of timber, or who are not in possession of wood lots or other timbered lands, will be granted a free permit to take and cut dry timber for their own use on their farms, for fuel and fencing.

A permit fee of 25 cents in each case is charged.

YUKON TERRITORY.

LICENSES.

A license to cut timber on an area not exceeding five square miles in the above territory may be granted to the first applicant therefor, upon payment of a bonus of not less than \$250.00 per square mile.

The licensee shall cause a survey to be made of the berth, and shall have a sawmill in operation within one year from the date upon which he is notified that the Minister of the Interior regards such a step necessary or expedient in the public interest, and shall pay a stumpage of \$2.00 per thousand feet B.M. on the timber cut.

PERMITS.

Permits to cut cordwood and ties in the Yukon Territory may be obtained from the Crown timber agent upon payment of a fee of \$5.00, and dues at the rate of 50 cents a cord for the former and 6 cents each for the latter.

GRAZING

IN MANITOBA AND THE NORTH WEST TERRITORIES.

Leases for grazing purposes are issued for a term of twenty-one years, and the rental is at the rate of two cents an acre per annum, payable half-yearly in advance.

Lands included in a grazing lease may be withdrawn for home-stead entry, sale or railway purposes, but no rental is charged on such lands from the date upon which they are withdrawn from the lease.

Grazing leases of school lands in the province of Manitoba may be issued for a term of five years, at an annual rental of six cents an acre, payable in advance, but the the department may terminate the lease at any time by giving the lessee three month's notice.

Grazing leases of school lands in the North-West Territories are for a term of five years, and the rental is at the rate of four cents an acre per annum, payable in advance. This lease may also be terminated at any time by giving the lessee three months' notice.

Lessees of school lands are not allowed to break up or cultivate any portion of the lands leased.

A lessee of grazing lands is not entitled to the hay thereon, but he may, upon application to the agent of Dominion Lands, obtain each year the first permit to cut on his leasehold whatever quantity of hay he may require for his own use, free of dues, the department reserving the right to issue permits to other applicants thereon.

HAY.

A settler in the vicinity of unoccupied Dominion Lands may obtain a lease to cut hay on an area thereof not exceeding forty acres. The term of the lease is five years and the rental twenty-five cents an acre per annum payable in advance.

Leases for hay purposes of not more than 640 acres and not less than 160 acres of school lands in the North-West Territories may

be issued upon payment in advance of the rental at the rate of twenty-five cents an acre per annum.

Applications for permits to cut hay are made after the 1st day of January in each year to the agent of Dominion Lands in whose agency the land containing the hay is situated, and permits are issued on and after the 1st day of April following, upon payment of a fee of fifty cents and the dues hereinafter prescribed.

If before the 1st day of April more than one application is received for a permit covering the same tract of land, the agent, if he cannot arrange a division of the land to suit the applicants, may post a notice in his office calling for tenders for the purchase of the hay, and the permit is awarded to the person offering the highest cash bonus.

No hay shall be cut prior to a date to be fixed each year by the Minister of the Interior.

The dues chargeable for permits to actual settlers who require the hay for their own use are ten cents an acre or ten cents per ton, and to all other persons the rates are fifty cents an acre or fifty cents per ton, payable in advance.

GRAZING, YUKON TERRITORY.

The term of a grazing lease in the Yukon Territory is ten years, and the rental \$100.00 a square mile. In unsurveyed territory the applicant shall establish by legal survey one corner of the ground applied for, and lay off the area from that corner.

HAY, YUKON TERRITORY.

The term of a hay lease in the Yukon Territory shall be ten years and the rental fifty cents an acre per annum. A survey of the land to be made by the lessee at his own expense. The ground covered by the lease to be open to sale and entry for mining purposes, but no rental to be charged from the date of such sale or entry.

HAY PERMITS IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Permits to cut hay may be issued by the Crown timber and land agent, on payment of a fee of \$2.50 and dues at the rate of \$3.00 per ton.

GRAZING PERMITS, YUKON TERRITORY.

Permits may be obtained to graze stock on the public grazing reserves made at all important points, subject to the payment of five cents per day for each head of cattle, which charge shall also be made for cattle grazing on public lands while being driven through the Territory.

DOMESTIC COAL.

Permits to mine coal for domestic purpose may be issued on application to the Agent of Dominion Lands for the district in which the lands are situated for an area not exceeding three acres, which area must previously have been staked out by planting a post in each corner. The frontage must not exceed three chains or the length ten chains. Rental \$5.00 an acre per annum, and royalty 20 cents per ton for anthracite coal, 15 cents per ton for bituminous coal and 10 cents for lignite coal. Sworn returns of the quantity mined under a permit to be made monthly. No rental to be charged if the permittee is the owner of the surface.

IRRIGATION IN THE NORTH WEST TERRITORIES.

An applicant for permission to construct works to divert a quantity of water exceeding ten cubic feet per second, shall file with the Commissioner of Public Works at Regina a memorial setting forth the particulars with respect to the application, and a plan of the proposed works. He shall also give notice of such filing in some newspaper published in the neighborhood, to be named by the Commissioner, not less than once a week for a period of thirty days.

So soon as these conditions have been complied with, the Minister of the Interior authorizes the construction of the works within

a certain period. Upon the completion of the works an inspection thereof is made by the chief engineer and surveyor of the Department of Public Works of the North-West Territories, and upon receipt of a certificate from him that they have been built in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted by the applicant, and that the necessary right of way for the works has been obtained, a license is issued in his favour by the Minister of the Interior upon payment of a fee of \$10.00. It is, however, necessary that the applicant shall furnish proof that he is the owner of the land to be irrigated, or that he has arranged with the owners thereof to furnish them with water, before a license is issued in his favour.

The applicant for a less quantity of water than ten cubic feet per second is not required to furnish such full information in relation to his application as the Act prescribes in the case of an applicant who desires a larger quantity of water.

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